Amendments to the Claims

Claims Listing

1. (Currently Amended) Game software <u>embodied in a computer readable medium</u> for instructing a computer to execute the following processes, comprising:

a process for producing a virtual game space, wherein an operation character can move by instruction of a controller connected with said computer;

a process for setting a position for obtaining an invisible item which can be obtained by said operation character in said virtual game space;

a process for computing item distance in said virtual game space between said operation character and said invisible item set at said position for obtaining;

a process for producing predetermined sound according to the distance computed by said process for computing item distance, and outputting the predetermined sound from sound output means connected with said computer;

a process for removing said invisible item from said position for obtaining when being instructed to obtain said item through said controller in such a state that said distance computed with said process for computing item distance becomes a predetermined value or lower;

a process for stopping output of said predetermined sound from said sound output means when instructed to obtain said item through said controller; and

a process for obtaining the invisible item when said distance computed by said process for computing item distance becomes said predetermined value or lower.

- 2. (Previously Presented) The game software according to claim 1, wherein said process for producing predetermined sound changes a style of outputting sound outputted from said sound output means according to said distance computed by said process for computing item distance.
- 3. (Previously Presented) The game software according to claim 1, wherein said process for setting a position for obtaining an invisible item controls said position for obtaining in said virtual game space.
- 4. (Previously Presented) A game machine, comprising:

means for producing a virtual game space, wherein an operation character can move by instruction of a controller connected with said game machine;

means for setting a position for obtaining an invisible item which can be obtained by said operation character in said virtual game space;

means for computing item distance, in said virtual game space between said operation character and said invisible item set at said position for obtaining;

means for producing a predetermined sound according to the distance computed by said means for computing item distance, and outputting the predetermined sound from sound output means connected with said game machine;

means for removing said invisible item from said position for obtaining when instructed to obtain said item through said controller in such a state that a distance computed with said means for computing item distance becomes a predetermined value or lower;

means for stopping output of said predetermined sound from said sound output means when instructed to obtain said item by said controller; and

means for executing processing for obtaining the invisible item when said distance computed by said means for computing item distance becomes said predetermined value or lower.